Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card

43rd meeting of the Board of Co-ordination

Monday, 14 October 2019
18.30 – 20.00
European Youth Centre, Strasbourg
Plenary Room

PARTIAL AGREEMENT WORK PROGRAMME 2020

Introduction

Co-operation with the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card of the Council of Europe is one of the core priorities of the European Youth Card Association. Both partners have been investing significant efforts to continuously strengthen their relationship in order to improve youth mobility and active citizenship for all young people in Europe.

The annual work programmes strive to accurately meet the needs of EYCA member organisations and those governments who already contribute to the Partial Agreement as well as to communicate more effectively its potential value to governments who could contribute.

Youth Mobility continues to be a priority for all policy-makers with an interest in youth affairs in Europe. Having in mind its different aspects (work mobility, learning mobility, cultural mobility, etc.) EYCA has a great potential to fill the gap which is recognised by all policy stakeholders when it comes to the available data and development of mobility policies.

European Youth Cards are a valuable tool for mobility of young people, which is to be further promoted and strengthened, but also to implement other policy priorities, such as: active citizenship, access to rights, quality youth work, inclusive societies etc. The European Youth Card connects young people to a variety of services and opportunities and provides communication channels which can enable policy-makers (1) to offer young people information, and (2) to consult young people directly.
Priorities

Having in mind the priorities for the 2020 - 2021 programme of activities of the Council of Europe’s Youth Sector adopted by the Joint Council on Youth, youth mobility is an important tool for achieving these objectives. Therefore, the proposed specific aims for the Partial Agreement work programme for 2020 are:

- to support and encourage innovation in youth work and youth services;
- to explore how the European Youth Card can support democratic participation of young people and access to their rights;
- to promote the European Youth Card as a tool for young people’s social, economic and cultural inclusion.

A proposed work program 2020

1. Promotional Seminar “Empowering young people as leaders in their communities”

The Partial Agreement’s promotional seminar on “Empowering young people as leaders in their communities” is part of the 2020 programme of activities of the Partial Agreement and organised as a response to the need of innovation in encouraging youth participation. The seminar will be organised in close cooperation with CJP Netherlands and will offer access to one of the biggest youth events in The Netherlands: Young Impact Awards.

Objectives:
- to foster innovation in youth participation and recognition of young people as leaders in their communities;
- to showcase examples of good practice on the role of card holders’ communities and how the European Youth Card can be a tool for promoting youth participation;
- to showcase examples of good practice on the role of European Youth Card in implementing national youth policies in various areas.

Location: Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Time: End of May 2020
Budget: 8.000 EUR

2. Seminar “Artificial intelligence and youth services: the role of the European Youth Card in promoting quality mobility in an online era”

The seminar aims to explore the various ways in which digital tools and Artificial Intelligence can be used to provide quality youth services (including mobility services) to young people. It will also explore the challenges and opportunities of new technologies in this respect.

The event could possibly be part of the Greek Chairmanship programme and will offer a space of learning for policy makers, youth workers and innovators. It will also include discussion of such issues as media information literacy (MIL) and the connection to youth work.
Objectives:
- to explore innovative ways of promotion and outreach to young people in a digital era and the role of the European Youth Card;
- to identify challenges and opportunities youth workers have in engaging young people on-line and what can be the role of new technologies & AI;
- to discuss the importance of media information literacy as part of youth work services.

Location: Greece
Date: September 2020
Budget: 12,000 EUR

3. **PA training for civil servants on youth policy “Building partnerships and promoting youth mobility” - a 50/50 Seminar**

The training will be dedicated exclusively to policy makers and civil servants from countries of the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the European Youth Card and will be preceded by a survey to identify specific needs.

Objectives:
- to Strengthen the community of policy makers and countries of PA on Youth Mobility and facilitate exchange of good practices among them;
- to Offer a unique space for members of PA on Youth Mobility to build stronger partnerships with European Youth Card organisations in their countries;
- to Identify specific challenges and needs related to mainstreaming youth mobility as a priority in youth policies.

Location: Malta (tbc)
Date: tbc
Budget: 15,000 EUR

4. **Promotional video of the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility**

The objective is to create a video with testimonials of Policy Makers, Speakers, Council of Europe representatives, EYCA members, participants in the PA events and young people in order to put in perspective the work that has been done in the last 30 years of the Partial Agreement. This could be also used as promotional material to show to different institutions: governments, Embassies, Permanent Representations, etc.

Planned budget: 5,000 EUR.

5. **Presentations to the CDEJ and the Board of Co-ordination**

Updated presentations will be made to all meetings of the CDEJ (representatives on ministries responsible for youth affairs).